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No 203-Local Freight..... 10:25 am  
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Here's for a Merry Christmas to all the readers of the News. May the day bring to each one joy and good will.

What if all the bills that have already been introduced in the present session of Congress should become law? Wouldn't it be terrible?

Kansas City is becoming quite fisticious. She has passed a law placing certain restrictions upon Limburger cheese. Consequently when Jaspersians visit the city on the Kaw it would be well for them to remove the Limburger from their pockets before entering the city.

At this writing, Saturday, December 13, it looks as though, after experimenting for about a year with the other grades of weather, the weather man has gone back to the good old fashion Southwest Missouri weather, and the genuine Southwest Missouri weather is hard to beat. The weather that we have been having during the past year evidently happened around this way by mistake.

We are glad to hear of the President's recent order that there would be no change of postmasters except on account of incompetency. The scramble for post offices after each election is a feature of our civilization which we hope and believe is disappearing, and the sooner the better. The spirit of "if you help me get to Congress, I'll see that you get the post office in your town" is not the spirit that gives us the best officials.

The Carthage Press sizes up the question of wealth about right when it says: "There is no prejudice against wealth with the fair minded people of the country where it has been honestly acquired in legitimate business operations under conditions which might be open to any one. It is the wealth gained by the manipulation of special privileges that becomes an eyesore to the ordinary struggling business man who finds his own chance of success lessened by the exorbitant rates charged by those controlling the necessities of every day life."

**Senators**  
From Chicago Record-Herald.

The Senate was created to introduce wisdom and caution into the national legislature.

It was not created to enthrone stupidity and obstruction.

It has progressed in this direction until it is itself a problem, rather than a solver of problems. The opening of the present session emphasizes the evil which past sessions in recent years have made too apparent. No one will say that the senators themselves are stupid men. Except for a few that are too old and for a few that are too young, they are exceeding wise in their generation. They are wily servants of their masters, but the net result of their interested wisdom is stupidity, in the sense that tying down the safety valve is always stupidity, whether in Russia or in any other country.

Last week Senator Clapp was aroused to indignation by the action of his colleagues of the interstate commerce committee in sitting through a session with no more purpose than to discuss the pay of their clerks and to debate in general terms the question as to whether the people really want rate legislation or not. The policy of delay and dodge was written all over the committee's course.

At the first session of the Senate this week action was taken on the Panama canal emergency appropriation which, while not of much importance in itself, showed clearly to observers that the leaders of the Senate were thinking a great deal more how to hamper and irritate President Roosevelt than how to get the canal constructed in the most efficient manner.

We may expect to see the Senate acting on the same lines all winter. We may expect to see it use every devious method to defeat the will of the people for the sake of the private whis, which it regards as more important. We may expect to find honest argument at a discount and dishonest maneuvering at a premium. And before the rate legislation is finally passed we may expect to have many fresh reasons for giving serious consideration to the great problem—how to reform the Senate so that it will be useful instead of harmful to the country.

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## Lesson of Senator Mitchell's Life

From the Central Christian Advocate.

Senator John H. Mitchell is dead. It was a long path, and devious. But the steeds of eternal laws were on his trail, and, notwithstanding an honored name, almost omnipotent political power, great wealth, and an ability to bury his tracks he quit the stage a criminal whose name will never be mentioned in the Republic or by history without a sense of shame.

"Of the dead nothing unless it be good," is a maxim to which we would giddily hearken; but it were better to use the career of John H. Mitchell, United States senator, to swing as a red lantern before the youth of America, than, covering that signal with mantle of charity, allow those who might by this man's example, if correctly pondered be saved, to plunge over the same precipice which has engulfed him.

The checkered career of this eminent man shows the persistency of the crops of wild oats. As a youth he started wrong. He fled from Pennsylvania; eloped, came to the coast, and assumed another name. In taking the name of Mitchell, let us hope he intended to begin a better life, instead of simply changing the mask under which he was to go on in his old ways. He was but twenty-five. He reached Portland, Ore., in 1859, penniless and without a friend. A year later he was elected city attorney, then State senator the next year, and two years later the president of the State Senate. In 1866 he came within one of being elected United States Senator, and six years later he was elected to that office. The following year the details of his life and the secret of his assumed name leaked out, and from that day his life was a succession of alternate triumphs and disasters in politics.

If in assuming the name of Mitchell this man intended beginning a better life he did not do so. You will be no exception; some water mark in the paper on which you attempt to cover up the past will still betray you. We judge ourselves. Time, men, circumstances but reveal that in which we ourselves have already judged ourselves. The wages we get we have earned; the wages of sin is death.

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